

ORDINANCE 18-09

AN ORDINANCE PROHIBITING HUNTING WITHIN CITY LIMITS

WHEREAS, the City has responsibility to pass laws to protect the health, safety, and welfare of the public

WHEREAS, the hunting of animals within City limits has the potential to pose a grave risk to public health, safety, and welfare; and

WHEREAS, the City Council as the Governing Body for the City of Roswell finds it is in the best interest of the public to prohibit all forms of hunting within the City limits or upon City property.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL AS THE GOVERNING BODY OF THE CITY OF ROSWELL, NEW MEXICO, that:

SECTION 1. The Roswell City Code will be amended to include a new Sec. 4-5 to read as follows:

Sec. 4-5: Hunting Within the City Prohibited

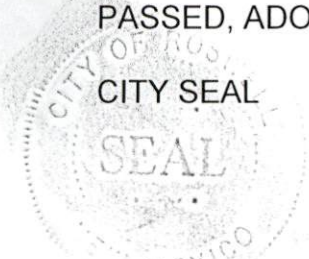
1. All manner of hunting, meaning the pursuit and/or killing of animals and birds, wild animals or otherwise, for food or sport, on City-owned property within City limits is prohibited, including, without limitation, by use of firearms, bow and arrow, kill-traps, pellet guns, or other similar weapons.
2. Nothing in this Section shall be construed to prohibit the removal of nuisance household pests, including insects and rodents, nor to infringe upon any animal control officer or police officer in the discharge of official duties.
3. The violation of this Section shall constitute a misdemeanor.

SECTION 2. All ordinances or parts of ordinances in conflict or inconsistent herewith are hereby repealed to the extent of such inconsistency. This repealer shall not be construed to revive any ordinance or part of any ordinance heretofore repealed.

SECTION 3. If any section, paragraph, clause or provisions of this ordinance for any reason shall be held to be invalid or unenforceable, the invalidity or unenforceability of such section, paragraph, clause or provision shall not affect any other part of this ordinance.

SECTION 4. This ordinance shall be effective after five (5) days following its publication as required by law.

PASSED, ADOPTED, SIGNED and APPROVED DECEMBER 13, 2018.



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Dennis Kintigh, Mayor


Stephanie Garay, Deputy City Clerk